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In compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98, copies of the references are submitted herewith. The references were cited in the European Search Report of EP 01 109 584.1. A copy of the Search Report is also enclosed.

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